

A Christmas Message

Dear Students:

We began this semester with a mass in honor of the Holy Spirit and we talked about community — the Saint Joseph's College family. And now it is almost Christmas, the most beautiful time of the year. It is the most beautiful because it is so tied up with family.

Almost everyone is caught up in the spirit of giving and receiving, of loving and being loved in the family. Perhaps most of us are in the same boat because of inflated prices and other financial restraints. Maybe we won't be able to afford as many gifts as we would like. Our love and joy with one another should not suffer.

Nothing should stop us from giving ourselves completely to the spirit of Christmas. We should stop and think about the meaning of our festive activities. Think about the way we celebrate Christmas so that we can come to a deeper, more prayerful sense of joy and contentment coupled with wonder and praise of God whose nearness we celebrate in this community.

We remember that Jesus Himself was a gift, that He was shared with us by the Father; that He brought us a share in the life of the Father.

We remember the same mystery of life and love that was shared with the human race 2000 years ago is shared with each of us.

Let's be open to the coming of Christ. Let's pray that each of us will know the peace, joy and sense of meaning in life that Christ brings. And this can only strengthen and deepen our appreciation of a family/community bound together in Christ.

A Merry Christmas to all. You are remembered at the altar and in my prayers always.

Sincerely in Christ,

Charles Banet C.P.P.S.

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Christmas Spirit Fills Campus

By MICHELLE DONJUIELLE
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Christmas at Saint Joseph's College is a special time of the year, and events at Collegeville this holiday season capture this spirit of caring, reflecting and rejoicing.

Last Sunday, Saint Joseph's Art Club decorated the Rensselaer Care Center in an activity coordinated by Sheila White, president of the Art Club.

The Black Student Union will sponsor a clothing drive Saturday through Dec. 18. Articles of clothing in good condition will be accepted. Boxes for clothing will be placed in the dorms: Justin first east and first west will have boxes in the corridor opposite the main lobby; Halas and the men's dorms will have boxes on each floor. A box will also be placed in Halleck Center in front of the BSU lounge near the bookstore.

Ending the Christmas season will be the sixth annual Justin-Halas Christmas dance this Friday in the Halleck Center ballroom during 9:30 p.m.-1 a.m. Featuring the band Monterray, the theme for the dance is "Snowy Starlight."

Couples attending the dance can receive souvenir photographs of this event — two 5x7 photos plus four wallet-size pictures can be purchased for \$6.

Girls are urged to ask their favorite guy now; this is a dates-only dance.

L.I.F.E. members and the Psi-Chi Psychology Club pulled their singing talents together Nov. 30 and entertained residents at the Rensselaer Care Center with Christmas carols. The Art Club pitched in with Christmas decorations to add to the festive spirit of the season.

Last Sunday, a tree-trimming party was held by the Halleck Center Student Union Board. Punch and cookies were served and Christmas carols were played. HSUB members also worked on decorations for Halleck Center.

Saint Joseph's College chorus has a busy weekend in store for them. Friday night they'll travel to Ancilla College in Donaldson, Ind., to present a Christmas concert with Ancilla's chorus. This Sunday, the chorus will present its annual Christmas concert at 1:30 p.m. in the chapel.

Sponsored by the Student Association, a campus-wide Christmas tree decorating party was held last night in front of Halleck Center. Students were encouraged to bring their own homemade ornaments to help trim the trees. Christmas music, a Santa Claus, and holiday refreshments made the festive evening complete. The trees are to be relocated in the lounges of Halleck Center.

North Central Team Evaluates College

By JERRY UNDERHILL

Why are accredited institutional diplomas favored by the professional world above unaccredited ones? What commission accredits many institutions of higher education and what are the basic evaluation requirements for these institutions?

College students seldom understand the importance of attending an accredited institution. According to Dr. Robert Garrity, vice-president for academic affairs, when one attends an accredited school, transcripts and transferred grades are accepted almost anywhere. A diploma from an accredited school also carries more clout in the competitive professional world.

North Central Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools accredits many institutions of higher education on a ten-year basis. An efficient team composed of four prepared persons re-evaluated Saint Joe's for re-accreditation Dec. 2-4.

The four persons are: Sister Mary Murphy, chairperson, department of biology at Mundelein (Ill.) College; Dr. Eliot Elfner, professor of business administration at St. Norbert College (De Pere, Wis.); Dr. Frederick Miller, dean of the School of Music at DePaul University (Chicago) and Dr. Walter Reuling, dean and vice-president of student affairs at Culver-Stockton College (Canton, Mo.).

"There are two major purposes for the North Central examination. First, to inspire the college to conduct a self-study, and second, to allow an outside agency to observe procedures to state if the institution is fulfilling its goals," states Dr. Garrity.

Dr. Garrity began compiling a self-study file two years ago in preparation for the North Central visit. Organization of the study consisted of referring to and disassembling the 1971 North Central study which stated institutional, business, and academic condi-

tions at that time. The study, divided into departments, was xeroxed and sent for review to each corresponding department.

All changes in the ten-year period were recorded and collected in Dr. Garrity's office. With information thus obtained, Dr. Garrity formulated the 1981 self-study report and composed an abstract available to interested parties.

"The North Central team examined several required components of Saint Joseph's College, including: the college charter, a list of the Board of Trustees, the by-laws of the college, the current budget, audits of last year's budget, official minutes of college meetings, faculty teaching loads and the sizes of classes. The examining team also spoke with selected faculty, students, and trustee members," says Dr. Garrity.

With all the investigation that surrounds the accreditation procedure, one might presume that faults, major and minor, in the institutional system would result in a non-accredited rating. Faults found at Saint Joe's are given priority for correction.

"One month after the North Central team's visit, a draft of the report will be sent to us and corrections can be made. At that time, any noted faults will be attended to," comments Dr. Garrity.

As stated in the self-study abstract, the college is well aware of its strengths and weaknesses. The major strength cited in the abstract is the nationally-recognized Core program; however, this program is surrounded by several intricate frailties.

Four noted weaknesses are given special attention by Dr. Garrity. The first and most obvious weakness is the physical environment of the library. Another frailty arises from the acquiring of competent people who

are willing to forego professional business salaries for those salaries of the teaching field, notably in business administration, accounting and computer science. Extremely low enrollments in foreign languages and decline in the morale of faculty who teach in fields with dwindling numbers of majors have also become problems at Saint Joe's.

Many signs of optimism inspire thoughts of receiving an accredited college rating. Nearly 60 percent of Saint Joe's faculty have received Ph.D.'s and prepare students well for the professional world. Perhaps a positive inspiration is the alumni success in job placement, especially in the fields of accounting and computer science.



Semester Succeeds

Semester one of the 1981-82 school year proved to be a beneficial and productive one in the sense that student participation increased in regard to student activities and different functions.

The Student Association worked hard this year in providing a variety of activities and special events that students could take advantage of. With more student input and ideas, more of these activities will take place in the upcoming semester.

The Halleck Student Union Board also has given the student body a variety of activities that all students can enjoy. This young organization has constantly revised its policies in order to be of more service to this campus. More changes will be sure to come in the future to improve this organization still more.

The student services policy concerning alcohol use seems to have produced a decline in vandalism and violence. The R.A.'s need continued support if this alcohol policy is going to be effective. No one can cut off all students from drinking, but we do need order to keep drinking from getting out of hand.

The recent start of the capital gifts campaign should have all students interested in order to get the necessary improvements made on campus. Recently, a group of students met with S.A. officers to discuss things that can be done in order to support this campaign. This is important, because it shows potential donors that the student body is working to support the campaign.

Merry Christmas

As the Christmas holidays rapidly approach and the semester nears an end, students are beginning to join in the Christmas spirit. Decorating rooms, holding Christmas parties and sharing good times with friends are just a few of the things we do to get ourselves into the festive spirit.

During these troubled times, we should thank the Lord for the many blessings we have received over the years — our family, friends, food, and prospering country, and those things we take for granted which many people elsewhere are unable to enjoy because of poverty, loneliness and depression.

Christmas is a time of giving, as the Lord sent His Son to us. Look around at our community and give of yourself so that those who are less fortunate may have a special Christmas. During this modern, advanced age we tend to forget the true meaning of Christmas. It is not a matter of how many presents we receive or give, but the love which transcends during this time of giving.

Once again students have taken an active role in this year's drive to help the needy. We commend those students who have organized collections for the poor, because it shows that they care about others.

We encourage all students, faculty, staff and administrators to support these charitable holiday activities, for it will prove again that Saint Joe's is a caring community.



Cast members of the stage play "Working" go through their routine in the opening scene of the play which was given Nov. 12-15 in the campus auditorium. Hats off to the cast for a job well done. (Photo by John Green)



Letters To The Editors

Dear Editors:

I am writing in the interest of the school, and the effort to continue the tradition it seems to have built up over the years for quality Catholic education, combined with a concentrated area of study that can be practically applied in the world, after graduation.

This is a past to be proud of, and is probably one of the reasons many of the students chose to attend Saint Joseph's over another college or university. I wonder, though, about the Core program. I do hesitate to criticize, being that I am a (mere) freshman, who lacks the broader perspective and knowledge that comes with experience. But the need is definitely there to improve the present situation. As a frequent critic of the program, I feel the responsibility is partially mine to offer some constructive criticism to (hopefully) better the situation.

The problem is that with the exposure to the ideas of writers such as: Steinbeck, Freidan, Baldwin, Howell, and Updike, the reader learns of the bad in this country without ever hearing of the good. This has a big effect on the reader, who in most cases is still quite impressionable. It invariably is a radical, extremely-left view, possibly touching left-of-center. I am convinced that to find a view that is even touching "middle-of-the-road" territory, (let alone on the right) is not only difficult, but perhaps impossible on this campus.

I realize exposure to new ideas should never be considered harmful, and that an expansion of the mind of any type should be welcome. I only question that with the selection of books chosen for Core One, why the conservative "right" view was neglected in being represented. An individual does not need all material straight from the National Review, Milton Friedman, William Simon, etc., but it would be a refreshing change if he could encounter even one sampling that would reinforce some ideas, beliefs, and convictions of the past.

Is it wrong to want to hear of the greatness in the American political and economic system in opposition to socialism as advocated by Steinbeck, the accompanying need to defend it, the beauty of the American dream, and good that has resulted in it, instead of the deterioration that Fitzgerald alludes to, the hope of the children for the future instead of the self-righteous words of Betty Freidan, trying unsuccessfully to illustrate a need for abortion?

I would like to make it clear that the purpose is not to attack what is essentially a good program, but to provide the faculty with some ideas that could enhance the curriculum. The solution, it seems, would be to provide the student with

material from various views, so he could choose for himself the ideas and beliefs he will mold into his own, and adopt a philosophy which will guide him throughout life.

Sincerely,
Maria Rodden

Dear Editors:

We the members of Saint Joseph's soccer team wish to thank our fellow students. We appreciate your contributions for making our varsity program a success. Your attendance at games and encouragement have meant a lot to us. Thank you!

Sincerely,
Father Bill Stang
and Soccer Team

HSUB Gains Experience

Saint Joseph's Halleck Student Union Board (HSUB) has been active in valuable learning experiences both on and off campus this semester, including a three-day conference at Eastern Illinois University and a one-day conference here.

"These meetings were very informative for us in many ways," reports Ann Reis, executive director of HSUB. "We gained useful information concerning structures and functions of university unions as well as new programming ideas.

"This conference also served as a leadership training session for the underclass participants," says Reis. "Mary Burke participated in a productive five-part leadership workshop to expand her skills and allow her to help the college improve its own leadership workshops. Sessions on time-management and values clarification were also highlighted."

Reis predicts that several positive developments will result from attendance at this conference. "I can see many enhancements in current programming, from all organizations, as a result of the ideas we gathered at the

ACUI conference," she says. "We also have knowledgeable contacts at the other participating schools who will be willing to help us work on the details to make the events successful."

Morning discussions centered on programs of officer training to follow student club and residence hall elections, plus the means used by each school to schedule events on their campus calendars. The group ended the morning session by sharing programs that were implemented at their respective schools during the January-February "slump time."

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SJC Cagers Sharpen Pre-Holiday Skills

By DAVE RUSCHAU

Men's basketball has returned to the sports scene here at Saint Joseph's, and the Pumas are off to a winning start.

This does not mean, however, that Saint Joseph's will not be using the abundance of depth which they possess. "Our depth is really starting to show, and we have been getting good production off our bench," says Waggoner.

The Pumas have one game remaining before they break for Christmas: Marion plays here Saturday at 7:30 p.m. Saint Joseph's will then return to action Jan. 5 at Tri-State.

Kentucky Wesleyan visits Saint Joseph's Jan. 9 for the Pumas' first Great Lakes Valley Conference game. Two days later, Indiana State-Evansville invades Alumni Fieldhouse and on the 16th,

SJC travels to Bellarmine. Both of these games are also conference clashes. "Our first three conference games are against the three top-picked teams in the GLVC," says Waggoner, "and we will find out early if we can play with the top teams in the league."

Saint Joseph's opened its season Nov. 20 at home against Taylor with a 63-56 win. Junior Michael Collins led the Pumas with 17 points. His performance was supported by Melvin Woods' 16 points and 15 rebounds and Gary Plamondon's ten points.

The second game of the season for Saint Joseph's ended in an 82-52 loss to Notre Dame in South Bend. Plamondon led the Pumas with 12 points, while John Paxson and Cecil Rucker each scored 22 points to lead the Fighting Irish.

Saint Joseph's closed November with a 104-103 triple-

overtime victory over Oakland on the 30th. Collins led the team with a game-high 26 points followed by Plamondon with 20, Rickey Bureau with 17, Gerald Winters with 12, and Wood with 11.

Dec. 2 the Pumas went up against the Grace Lancers and defeated them, 85-83. Saint Joseph's was led by Plamondon and Collins with 18 points each. Wood followed with 14 and Bureau scored 12.

Saint Joe dropped an 86-81 decision to Kentucky State here Monday night in a race-horse game fully in keeping with the visitors' nickname of Thoroughbreds. Rickey Bureau led SJC with 20 points and Gary Plamondon added 18, but it wasn't enough to overcome the eight successive free throws by KSU in the closing 90 seconds.

Saint Joe's women play an abbreviated four-game December schedule that started with a 78-44 loss against talent-rich Notre Dame Dec. 3 in South Bend. As a Division II squad, however, the Puma women will oppose primarily other Division II teams in contrast to the Division I Irish, and coach Sue Buntin is optimistic that her club will show steady improvement as the season progresses.

"We are admittedly a little short on depth since we have just ten players on our roster, but the people we have are good ones and we'll just have to work at it to overcome the odds when we oppose teams with substantially more depth," Buntin says.

Lori Salm led the Pumas at Notre Dame with 15 points and six rebounds and she looks like a fixture in the SJC pivot as just a freshman. Penny Salm, Susan Keller, Cheryl VanWinkle and Brenda Wolski give the Pumas a look of strength in the front line, but there is cause for concern in the backcourt.

Cindy Figel and Chris Cerny are likely to carry most of the load at point guard, with guard-forwards Beth Dean, Karen Honkisz and Jill Bur-

nett adding help while swinging back and forth from front-line to back court.

Buntin predicts that the Pumas will see plenty of pres-

sure defenses this year, and stresses that "we'll need to develop our ballhandling skills quickly if we are to cope with this pressure."



Greg Martin of the Pumas soars toward the hoop to polish off a fast break during SJC's 85-83 win over Grace here Dec. 2. Terry Krone (10) and Melvin Wood (44) of Saint Joe close in as Grace defenders Neal Frantz (foreground) and Kevin Willour (13) can do nothing to halt Martin. (Photo by John Green)



Ashland quarterback Chris Delis barely gets off a pass in face of a rush from the Pumas' Jerry Such (78) during the Eagles' 27-21 win over Saint Joe here Nov. 14. (Photo by John Burrell)

IM Bowling Finishes

By ED FISETTE

With 1981 rapidly coming to a conclusion, so is the intramural calendar for the first semester. The first semester bowling leagues have finished their seasons and three-on-three men's basketball is about to enter playoff competition.

Twenty-six teams began vying for the basketball championship last week in one big division. Teams will play between nine and 12 games and the teams to make the playoffs will be determined strictly on winning percentages. The number of games each team will play was determined by a random draw.

Each team will play either one or two matches per night. To win the match, a team must win a best-of-three game series. A game is won when a team scores 11 baskets.

Intramural bowling crowned champions in both the men's and mixed divisions last week. The Tornados from Division A beat Draft Board II to win the Mixed League crown and the Playboys defeated the ESF Rat Pack for the men's honors.

One pin decided the championship of the mixed leagues as Draft Board II lost by 2-1 to the Tornados. Each team won a game, but the Tornados took the match by total pins, 1891-1890. The Playboys tripped the Rat Pack, 2-1, for the men's title.

Augie Ghilarducci rolled the

high game for Men's Division A with a 240 and Troy Flowers had the high series with a 219. Bill Arceo (240, 419), Denny Osborn (245, 417) and Leo Burton (203, 373) had both high game and high series for Men's Division A, Mixed Division A and Mixed Division B, respectively.

En route to the championship match, the Tornados downed the Domino Principle 3-0 and Draft Board II overcame Strik-n-Spare 3-0. The ESF Rat Pack took three games from the Outlaws and the Playboys beat the Schmogs, 2-1.

Following are the final regular-season standings for intramural bowling.

MEN'S DIVISION A	
Outlaws	13- 5
Playboys	13- 5
High Rollers	8-10
Party Bowlers	8-10
Gallagher Stokers	6-12
DIVISION B	
Schmogs	13- 5
ESF Rat Pack	12- 6
Bad News Bowlers	11- 7
Never Say Die	10- 8
Go-Nads	3-15
MIXED DIVISION A	
Tornados	17- 1
Draft Board II	12- 6
Why Not?	9- 9
Keggles	6-12
Stenger Express	4-14
DIVISION B	
Strik-n-Spare	13- 5
Domino Principle	11- 7
Seven Most Wanted	10- 8
Mixed Nuts	9- 9
Gutter Bums	8-10

Volleyball Team Wins State's No. 2 Honor

By CHARLES BORGER & MATT BOYLE

Saint Joseph's volleyball team topped off a successful 1981 season, highlighted by first-place finishes in the Saint Joe Invitational and the Manchester Invitational, as well as second-place finishes in the Eastern Illinois Invitational and the state Division II tournament Nov. 13-14 at Valparaiso. The Pumas rolled past Valparaiso two games to none in first-round action. Then after picking a second-round bye, SJC downed IUPUI-Indianapolis two games to one in the quarterfinals.

In the semifinal match, the women faced Butler and soundly whipped them two games to none. This put SJC in the finals as winners of the winner's bracket. They met the winners of the loser's bracket, Evansville, in the finals where the Pumas were beaten three games to one in the best-of-five series.

Lori Salm was voted to the all-tourney team by the coach-

es, and the Puma hitter is just a freshman.

The women finished the season with a 32-15 record while playing in many tough tournaments against stiff competition. Last year, SJC placed third in the state tourney.

Head coach Linda Taulman says, "I thought we did well this season. We progressively improved during the season. We worked hard and I was proud of the team." When asked if she would like to make any improvements for the 1982 season, Taulman replied, "We'd like to have more height on the hitters, but otherwise, our setters are in pretty good shape."

The Pumas lose only two seniors between now and next season, so they should be tough again in 1982.

In another fall sport ending since the last issue of Stuff, the football team finished 6-3-0 and tied for third place in the Heartland Collegiate Conference at 5-2-0 following a 27-21 loss to Ashland.



Student affairs vice-president William Maniscalco (center) drops the puck last Thursday in Alumni Fieldhouse to open the annual Gallagher Hall floor hockey marathon, designed to raise funds for needy persons in Rensselaer and Jasper County. Facing off are Thad Frankowski (left) and Ron Gunter. (Photo by John Green)

R.A.'s Stress More Dorm Unity

By MICHELLE DONJUIELLE
& PAULA DRZEWIECKI

"It's been a change for the better." This is the general feeling expressed by resident assistants interviewed concerning changes made in dormitory living policies by student affairs vice-president Bill Maniscalco and his student services staff.

R.A.'s believe there is much more dorm unity, more cooperation on behalf of student services and students, and that in general, dorm living has improved considerably since last year.

Says Peg Versgrove (sr.-Jus.), "There has been a successful effort for dorm unity. Everyone is getting along well; the freshmen are adjusting and the students have shown the willingness to cooperate. Personally, what's being stressed is community; you must build trust and respect among people you live with."

Marlene Bierbaum (sr.-Jus.) gives much credit to upperclassmen in setting a good example for freshmen as well as adjusting to new policies installed this year. She comments, "The upperclassmen are doing a good job providing leadership. Most of them knew what changes were going to take place before school started and they've been a big help in guiding the freshmen as well as adjusting to a new administration themselves. I think the change has come at a good time; rules should be enforced consistently."

Mike Meyer (sr.-WSF) agrees with Bierbaum that a change in administration policy was needed. He says, "this change has come at a good time. Things have calmed down, although I don't see a full transition occurring until the next couple of years or at least until this year's freshmen are juniors. However, the biggest job that the administration has yet to face is building up the morale of the school and gaining back the reputation of a good business school instead of that of a party school. In speaking with alumni, they believe the academic aspect of the college is being overlooked — that it's not being stressed enough."

Regarding Maniscalco's drinking policy, or the fact that this is a dry campus,

R.A.'s feel that he is being fair and that his policy is effective. A decline in alcohol consumption hasn't necessarily occurred, but at least students are willing to abide by the rules.

Says Brian Nahas (jr.-WSF), "Basically, everything is going well in regard to drinking. It's being kept at a low profile, a bit more discreet, even though the amount of drinking has just about remained the same. Due to the new alcohol policy, I've seen a lot less people get really drunk and rowdy, but maybe that's because drinking is kept within the rooms. However, with the expulsion of dorm kegger parties, the students are not really getting a chance to meet other students, or rather, students are getting to know each other but in smaller groups. I'm beginning to see a lot more cliques on campus and within the dorms."

Meyer believes that, com-

Justin team up with a floor in Gallagher to go against another team comprised of a guys' and girls' floor in a softball game would be a possibility. More student involvement is needed; I'd really hate to see this school become a suitcase college. However, I also think it's pretty sad that some students feel that they can't have a good time without getting wasted."

Compared with last year, R.A.'s believe that they're getting more support from student services this year. "I am very impressed with the fact that we're getting more support from Mr. Maniscalco and his staff," Bierbaum says. "Because of this added support, I think the R.A.'s are taking their responsibilities a bit more seriously this year. I also think that the pay raise, which has doubled from last year, has given the R.A.'s some dignity and added responsibility. This year they're actually getting paid



Saint Joe students participated in a non-Western Core class simulated Chinese commune last Thursday in the Raleigh Hall conference room. Here (left to right) Peggy Hansen, Kevin Dolan and Dave Erwin stage a discussion, complete with Chinese costumes, on the merits and progress of this hypothetical commune. (Photo by John Burrell)

pared to last year, alcohol consumption during the week has dropped considerably or at least you don't hear of it. Weekend drinking has remained the same, possibly because the weekend is the time for students to take out their frustrations. Meyer also feels that it is the administration's responsibility to offer alternatives to drinking.

"With the new alcohol policy, the administration is definitely going to have to come up with alternatives in the form of interdorm competition," he explains. "For example, having a floor in

what they deserve for the work that they're putting in, thus making the R.A.'s want to work that much harder," comments Bierbaum.

Meyer adds that, "last year's administration was just not cooperative enough, mainly because there was a lack of consistency in policy and also because last year's administration had other responsibilities outside of student services which kept them from doing a better or more thorough job. Mr. Maniscalco and his staff have definitely cracked down on discipline problems, by taking immediate action and sticking to the rules that they've drawn out. This way, as compared to last year, students don't have to wait a couple of months before any action is taken against them. This year, students are finally being forced to abide by the rules."

Evidently, this year's administration is taking steps in a positive direction and R.A.'s are finally getting the support that they deserve. There's an overall good feeling on behalf of the R.A.'s, who believe any changes being made are for the benefit of the students. Meyer says it best: "All students can do is take what is offered and try to make the best of it."



It's Christmas time at Saint Joe's, and decorations like these hanging from campus light poles make it clear that the holiday season is fast approaching. Only one ingredient — snow — was absent as of today, but that's no guarantee that we won't still get a white Christmas.

(Photo by John Burrell)

Social Preview

By JOE GIANNINI

Well, exam week has snuck up on us. And, (sigh) it's time to study. The following poem expresses the general view of the student caught in the middle of exam week.

'Twas the night before exams,
And all through Saint Joe's,
Not a student was sleeping,
Not even the crows.
The profs were all snuggled,
Tight in their beds,
While students were studying
With the help of a few kegs.
The students were up,
All through the night,
But that, by no means,
Cured the precarious fright.
They walked in their classes
With luck on their side,
But when they came out
They wanted to hide.
Upon leaving the campus,
In an abrupt sort of way,
I heard one student declare,
"Thank God it's Friday."

Friday, Dec. 11. Registration. IUPU-Indianapolis travels to Saint Joe's for a battle in women's basketball. Justin-Halas Christmas dance in the ballroom. Economics Club Christmas banquet. BSU Christmas Clothing Drive through the 20th.

Saturday, Dec. 12. Men's basketball team hosts Marion. Merlino Bowl at 7:30 a.m. Merlino and Bennett will hold their annual Christmas parties. Senior Class Christmas banquet.

Sunday, Dec. 13. Psych Club Christmas party. SJC Chorus Christmas concert in the chapel. The film **The Stuntman** will be shown in the auditorium. Check for times. Natural family planning will be the subject of a series of four monthly classes taught by the Couple to Couple League at St. Augustine School beginning on Sundays, Dec. 6 and Dec. 13, and ending on Sundays, Jan. 10 and Jan. 17. Classes will be from 1 to 3:30 p.m. Pre-registration is requested; contact Don and Judie Steiner (219-866-7016).

Monday, Dec. 14. Last day of registration. Executive Board meeting at 7 p.m. Sophomore class mass at 4 p.m.

Tuesday, Dec. 15. Exam week begins and continues until Christmas break. Fees due for the winter semester must be paid in the business office.

Wednesday, Dec. 16. Senior-faculty midnight breakfast.

Friday, Dec. 18. Last day of fall semester. Students must be off campus by 5 p.m.; campus closed.

Don't forget that tickets for the Holiday Star Theatre in Merrillville are available at Saint Joe's. They will be sold at a \$2 discount per ticket. Upcoming shows include TV's *Second City Live* (Dec. 29) and *The Oak Ridge Boys* (Dec. 31-Jan. 3). For more information on ordering tickets, contact: Mark Rossi (Noll 205, 866-4326) or the S.A. (Halleck third floor, extension 136 or 137).

Sunday, Jan. 3. Students may return to campus beginning at 12 noon; first meal is dinner.

Monday, Jan. 4. New students enroll. Registration for returning students.

Tuesday, Jan. 5. Classes begin at 8 a.m. Student Senate meets in chapel cafeteria at 8 p.m.

It's already time to apply for financial aid for the 1982-83 school year. Regardless of what type of aid you have, it is still necessary to fill out and then return an institutional financial aid application. Then, pick up and complete a Financial Aid Form and send it in to the College Scholarship Service. Remember, be on time.



Mrs. David Hoover (right) shows Tanya Siegrist how to construct a decorative paper Christmas chain during a session of the nursery school she conducts on the first floor of Aquinas Hall. (Photo by John Burrell)